

# Statements of Post-Secondary Transition Services in Individual Education Programs (IEPs)

#### Sample Activities/Strategies

#### **Using this Document**

This tool contains examples of activities and strategies that IEP teams may consider as they construct unique and robust transition plans in the 'STATEMENT OF TRANSITION SERVICES: COORDINATED ACTIVITIES/STRATEGIES' section of IEPs for students of transition age (see Appendix A for a sample transition section of the IEP). The list is organized into the seven general areas noted in the IDEA:

- instruction
- related services
- community experiences
- employment
- post-school adult living objectives
- daily living skills
- functional vocational evaluation

Beginning with the IEP in place for the school year during which the student will turn age 16 (or younger if determined appropriate), as a compliment to post-secondary goals and the course of study, the IEP must include a statement of transition activities and services. These activities and services are intended to assist the student in developing or attaining their post-secondary goals. This statement should outline a multi-year plan of activities and strategies, and note the expected date of implementation, (i.e. Spring 2014, Fall 2015) and the person or agency responsible for arranging, providing and/or implementing each activity or strategy (student, parent, school staff, etc.). The dates of implementation range from the date of the IEP meeting to any date prior to the student's expected date of high school graduation.

#### Statement of Transition Services As Defined in the IDEA

20 U.S.C. §1401(34) of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) defines transition services as: .....a coordinated set of activities for a child with a disability that—

(A) is designed to be within a results-oriented process, that is focused on improving the academic and functional achievement of the child with a disability to facilitate the child's movement from school to post-school activities, including post-secondary education, vocational education, integrated employment (including supported employment), continuing and adult education, adult services, independent living, or community participation; (B) is based on the individual child's needs, taking into account the child's strengths, preferences, and interests; and (C) includes instruction, related services, community experiences, the development of employment and other post-school adult living objectives, and, when appropriate, acquisition of daily living skills and functional vocational evaluation.

*Please Note*: This list of examples is in no way exhaustive, nor is it the only source for transition service activities. Importantly, extra spaces are included in each area for school staff, families and students to record their own additional examples of strategies and activities.

For further information on post-secondary transition and IEPs, please consult the Alaska EED Special Education Handbook at <a href="http://education.alaska.gov/tls/sped/">http://education.alaska.gov/tls/sped/</a>.

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### **Instruction**

Use the following tools/methods to gather information regarding (the student's) desired post-secondary educational involvement:*
☐ Visit the following college campuses and meet with student support services:  *
☐ Enroll in career awareness course entitled in the grade*
☐ Enroll in adult living course entitledin the grade*
☐ Tour post-school occupational training programs*
☐ Obtain, complete, and submit applications to the following colleges:*
☐ Obtain, complete, and submit applications for tuition assistance.
☐ Learn about Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and/or the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
☐ Learn about community agencies that provide services and support to people with disabilities
☐ Explore admission requirements for enrollment at theVocational/Technical School
☐ Obtain information on continuing and adult education opportunities
☐ Learn about the Americans with Disabilities Act by attending a workshop at*
☐ Learn about the rights of people with disabilities.
☐ Participate in an internship/apprenticeship program in the grade with*
☐ Participate in the following extracurricular activities:*
☐ Enroll in the following Adult/Continuing Education courses:*
☐ Enroll in the following college courses:*
☐ Enroll in "parenting" classes in the grade
☐ Enroll in ACT / SAT prep course in the grade
☐ Enroll in a driver's education course in the grade
☐ Prepare for tests that are required for obtaining a driver's license
☐ (Add your own)

<sup>\*</sup>Add in details unique to student's needs

### **Related Services**

Determine if [the student's name] is likely to need transportation assistance, a type of therapy, or other related service after graduating high school*
Explore public transportation options
Obtain information about transportation programs for people with disabilities
Obtain/determine sources of support for coping with difficult life situations
Visit the community mental health services agency located at
Identify potential post-school providers of recreation therapy
Identify potential post-school providers of occupational therapy and potential funding sources
Visit potential post-school providers of physical therapy
Learn about potential post-school providers of speech therapy
(If student is receiving SSI) Write a Plan for Achieving Self-Support (PASS) and submit to SSI to set aside income and/or resources for transportation to and from a job
Determine eligibility for DVR services ( <a href="http://labor.alaska.gov/dvr/home.htm">http://labor.alaska.gov/dvr/home.htm</a> )
(Add your own)

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## **Community Experiences**

Use the following tools/methods to collect information regarding [the student's name] desired post-secondary community involvement:*					
Investigate participation in social/recreation events sponsored by*					
☐ Learn about and visit potential places in the community to shop for food, clothes, etc.*					
Investigate participation on the community sports team for*					
☐ Tour potential apartments for rent*					
Investigate participation in thecommunity/civic organization (Lions Club, Rotary, Native cultural organizations, etc.)*					
☐ Investigate opportunities for socialization training in the community					
Visit and investigate the youth volunteer program at the library					
Visit and learn about youth volunteer program at the hospital					
Visit the community theater group to learn about participating					
Visit and learn about the community symphonic organization					
Investigate participation in the community arts activities					
Visit and learn about the community horticultural club					
Visit and learn about the community historical preservation society					
Learn about cultural immersion activities (dance groups, language immersion classes)					
Visit with elders in the community to learn about cultural history or activities					
Learn about appropriate animal/pet care					
Learn about subsistence activities from (friends, family members, elders)*					
Enroll in a hunter safety course					
(Add your own)					

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### **Employment**

Use the following tools/methods to collect information regarding [the student's name] desired employment and career interests for adult life beyond college and/or post-secondary vocational training:  *					
Participate in a career fair to learn about careers/specific career*					
Participate in career awareness program/class in the grade*					
Enroll in the community-based career exploration program in the grade*					
Determine the requirements for obtaining a license to become a*					
Determine summer employment options					
☐ Meet with the following supported employment agencies to evaluate their services:*					
☐ Obtain a part-time job (volunteer or paid) in a career field of interest through participation in a Structured Learning Experience					
Learn about the local/regional Career Center					
Enroll in an apprenticeship program for*					
(If student is receiving SSI) Learn about social security work incentives at <a href="http://www.ssa.gov/redbook/index.html">http://www.ssa.gov/redbook/index.html</a>					
(If student is receiving SSI) Learn about and write a Plan for Achieving Self-Support (PASS) and submit to Social Security to set aside income and/or resources for a job coach and/or for starting a business ( <a href="http://www.ssa.gov/online/ssa-545.html">http://www.ssa.gov/online/ssa-545.html</a> )					
Prepare a resume					
Learn about employment services from the Native Corporation.*					
Practice job interview skills (i.e. showing up for interview on time, shaking hands, eye contact)					
Learn about professional email skills					
Learn how to mail a letter/package at the post office					
Learn how to search job placement websites (e.g. <a href="www.monster.com">www.monster.com</a> , <a href="www.alexsys.labor.state.ak.us/">www.alexsys.labor.state.ak.us/</a> , <a href="www.doa.alaska.gov/dop/workplace">www.doa.alaska.gov/dop/workplace</a> )					
Learn how to appropriately resign from a job					
Learn about time management strategies					
Learn how to prepare and where to take the Armed Forces Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)					
(Add your own)					

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### **Post School Adult Living**

Use the following tools/methods to collect information regarding [the student's name] desired residential life beyond high school and a residential post-secondary educational setting:*					
Learn the process for renting an apartment/home					
Learn the process for obtaining home services like electric/heating oil/internet/phone/cable TV					
Join and participate in the following community recreation/health center/swimming pool:*					
Register to vote and learn about the election process					
Register for the military draft and learn about public service obligations/opportunities					
Obtain assistance to complete tax return from*					
Explore insurance issues/needs by meeting with*					
Explore guardianship issues and estate planning by attending a presentation sponsored by  *					
Learn about managing /performing simple repairs on a home/apartment					
Learn about ways to purchase/lease a car/snow machine/ATV and do routine maintenance					
Open a bank account and learn about managing finances/budget/bills					
Understand the application process for credit/debit cards and the responsibilities associated with applying for credit					
Learn about expectations for eating in restaurants					
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### **Post School Adult Living (cont.)**

Learn how to book an airplane ticket and how to check in for a flight
Learn how to book a Alaska Marine Highway (Ferry) System ticket
Learn how to order food or items online for delivery
Learn about where to find information/requirement for starting a small business (e.g. home child care, commercial fishing, small engine repair)
Learn about options for hiring child care in (the student's) community
Learn about assistive technologies to assist with adult living (www.atlaak.org)
(Add your own)

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## **Daily Living Skills**

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### **Functional Vocational Evaluation**

Use the following tools/methods to collect functional information regarding [the student's name] vocational interests and abilities:*
Use existing functional information about [the student's name] to develop functional assessments*
Participate in community-based/situational vocational assessment program*
Develop a vocational profile based on functional information*
Provide opportunities for job sampling in the community during grade*
Contact agencies that provide functional vocational assessments in the community*
Meet with employers to develop a situational vocational assessment site in the community related to [the student's name] interest in the field of*
(Add your own)

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# **Appendix A:** Alaska EED sample IEP form: Transition section \* For more information, see <a href="http://education.alaska.gov/tls/sped/TrainingResources.html">http://education.alaska.gov/tls/sped/TrainingResources.html</a>

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Section 5 – Seconda	ry Transition (Required before th	e student turns 16 – younger if app	ropriate)		
1. Was the stu	. Was the student invited to attend this IEP meeting?				○ NO
2. Has the stu	2. Has the student completed an age appropriate transition assessment?				○NO
	Has the IEP team determined if the student should apply to the Department of Vocational Rehabilitation? ( <a href="http://labor.alaska.gov/dvr/">http://labor.alaska.gov/dvr/</a> )				○ NO
that cover	4. Does the student's IEP includes appropriate measurable post-secondary goals that cover the education/training, employment, and independent living plan (reviewed annually)?			○ YES	ONO
	gencies/community partners are h parental consent) to the IEP me		YES	○ NO	
IDENTIFY ALL AGEN	CIES/COMMUNITY PARTNERS				
Agency/Community	Partner	Point of Contact		Phone	
APPROPRIATE MEA	SURABLE POSTSECONDARY GOA	LS			
Consider the student's	strengths, interests and preferences,	and based on age appropriate transition	on assessr	ments.	
Post-School Goals fo	r Employment			Source	
"My plan for a job is	"				
Post-School Goal for Training and/or Education				Source	
"Upon completion of	f high school, I will"				
Post-School Goal of	Independent Living			Source	
"My plan for living arrangements is"					

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STATEMENT OF TRANSITION SERVICES: COORDINATED ACTIVITIES/STRATEGIES						
Activities/Strategies Related to Measurable Postsecondary Goals		Date to Implement	Person/Agency Arranging or Providing Services			
Instruction:						
Related Servi	ces:					
Community E	experience	ss:				
Employment	:					
Adult Living:						
Daily Living S	kills					
Functional Vo	ocational E	valuation:				
COURSE OF S	TUDY					
Considering the student's strengths, interests, preferences, and desired postsecondary goals, list the specific courses of study for the period of time covered by this IEP that will promote movement from school to the student's desired post-school goals.						
School Year	Grade	Courses				

<sup>\*</sup> Districts may want to add in or replace the AK Sample IEP with an example from their district IEP forms.